therapeutic recreation programs

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OUR PHILOSOPHY

At the City of Chandler Therapeutic Recreation Program, our mission is to enhance the quality of life for individuals with physical, mental, emotional, or social limitations. We strive to facilitate the development, maintenance, and expression of an appropriate leisure lifestyle for individuals with developmental disabilities. Participants typically are part of one or more of the following areas: sheltered workshop, special education classes, and one whose mental and/or physical disability limits that person from participating in regular recreation.





No online or touch tone registration is available for Therapeutic Recreation & Special Olympics classes and programs.



Registration Procedures

Individuals who meet the criteria represented in the philosophy above, and who are interested in joining these programs, should contact the Chandler Parks & Recreation Division in order to receive a registration form and become enrolled in the Therapeutic Program (new participants only).

All participants must have a current registration form with the City of Chandler. All participants will automatically be put on our mailing list and will receive the monthly calendar, flyers and other information regarding our programs.

Participants interested in Special Olympics sports need to complete a Arizona Special Olympics Medical Form in order to compete. Please contact Collette Jones at 480.782.2709 to obtain a registration form or medical form.

www.chandleraz.gov/therapeutic

SPECIAL OLYMPICS & UNIFIED SPORTS MEDICAL FORMS POLICY

ALL athletes competing in any Special Olympics sport <u>must</u> have a current Arizona State Special Olympics medical form on file with the City of Chandler **BEFORE** beginning practice for any sport!

There is a specific form that needs to be filled out by the doctor as well as the family. It is also suggested that you keep a copy of your current physical.

You can get the medical form from the Arizona Special Olympics Web site at

www.specialolympicsarizona.org

then click on forms, then print the FRONT & BACK of the form.

If you are unsure if your medical form is up to date,
please give us a call at 480.782.2709.

Special Interest Classes

THERAPEUTIC HORSEBACK RIDING

This class will teach you about horses. Each student will learn about the bridle, saddle and how to ride. You will brush the horses and learn about heir care. Come ride with friends

Instructor: Teri Chambers

Class Fee: \$20 Instructor Fee: \$0 Supply Fee: \$0 Location: Valley Silver Bullets – 1991 S. Tumbleweed Ln. 3366.127 M 9/10-11/19 6-7 pm 5 yrs+

*No class on 11/12

WELLNESS 2007

Come learn about fitness, exercise, health, wellness, good choices in eating, recreation and fun. Learn about taking care of your bodies and being fit. No class on 10/31.

Instructor: TBD

Class Fee: \$20 Instructor Fee: \$0 Supply Fee: \$0

Location: Chandler Senior Center – 202 E. Boston

3374.147 W 10/17-1121 6:30-8 pm 14 yrs+

"IT'S A WONDERFUL LIFE" DRAMA CLUB

Come sing, dance and perform on the big stage. Practice each week will include duets, solos and small groups. Help us pick a song or dance in the theme of the winter holidays. Class will end with a final performance. Final performance will be on December 17 at the Chandler Community Center. Invite your friends and family to our final performance.

Instructor: TBD

Class Fee: \$20 Instructor Fee: \$0 Supply Fee: \$0

Location: Chandler Community Center, Room 110

3367.127 M 10/22-12/17 6:30-8 pm 6-18 yrs+

Special Olympics & Unified Sports

KIDS & TEENS FALL SPECIAL OLYMPICS BOWLING

Does the bowling alley make you smile? Would you like to bowl with friends in Special Olympics bowling? Come bowl with us and get ready for competition. No bumpers allowed in this league. Weekly fee is paid at the bowling alley

Instructor: Kris Jacobs

Class Fee: FREE-paid by RAD

Location: Chandler AMF - 1900 N. Arizona Ave.

3368.177 Sa 9/15-12/1 9:30-11:30 am 6-21 yrs

TOURNAMENT UNIFIED BOWLING LEAGUE

Bowling with partners is what this league is all about. Unified bowling teams are made of two Special Olympics athletes and two non-disabled partners. Teams will raise money to attend a Special Olympics bowling tournament out of state. Weekly fees are paid to the bowling alley.

Instructor: Justin Harris

Class Fee: FREE-paid by RAD Weekly Fee: \$12 for 3 games

Location: Chandler AMF – 1900 N. Arizona Ave.

3369.137 T 9/25-2/12 6-8:30 pm 16 yrs+

FLOOR HOCKEY

Do you love hockey? Are you up for a challenge? Want to learn how to use a puck and a stick to make a goal. Come play in our third season of floor hockey. Space is limited to 18 players. The final competition is in Flagstaff.

Instructor: Travis Anderson/Scott Nasser

Class Fee: FREE-paid by RAD

Location: TBA

3370.127 M 11/19-2/25 6:30-8 pm 16 yrs+

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THERAPEUTIC RECREATION TENNIS

This clinic is designed to teach the basics of tennis for persons with developmental disabilities, specifically geared towards teen to early adulthood. Participants will need to provide their own racquet.

Instructor: Dorene Probst

Class Fee: \$23 Instructor Fee: \$0 Supply Fee: \$0 Location: Chandler Tennis Center

8030.137 Th 9/6-9/27 6:20-7:20 pm 8 yrs+

FRIDAY NIGHT SOCIAL CLUB

The popular Friday Night Social Club is an opportunity to go out into the community with friends and enjoy the evening. This program is designed for teens and adults ages 16 and older with disabilities. For a more complete listing of FNSC events, please consult the "Talk of the Town" Newsletter (see below) or call 480.782.2709.

BOWLING AWARDS PARTIES

When the season is over, it's time to party in style. Come mingle with friends, receive awards and dance the night away. Family & Friends are welcome.

Cost: Free

Location: Chandler Community Center – 125 E. Commonwealth

3364.167 F 8/24 6:30-9 pm 3371.167 F 11/30 6:30-9 pm

Special Events



EVSRC HALLOWEEN DANCE

and dance to the DJ Sounds of Brett. Meet friends from all over the east valley. Celebrate Halloween in style!

Activity Fee: \$3 donation at the door

Location: Chandler Community Center - 125 E. Commonwealth

3372.167 F 10/26 6-9 pm 16 yrs+

Come dressed in your best costume, visit the haunted house

EVSRC MISTLETOE MAGIC DANCE

Saturday, December 15, 2007 at the Chandler Community Center – watch for details in the mail.

Other News

SCHOLARSHIPS & STIPEND PROGRAM

The Mayor's Committee for People with Disabilities offers onetime eligible education scholarships. For an application or more information, call 480,963,7182.

"TALK OF THE TOWN" NEWSLETTER

Watch for more details about the Friday Night Social Club, Special Olympics and all other Therapeutic Recreation events in the upcoming editions of the Therapeutic Recreation "Talk of the Town" Newsletter. To be placed on the mailing list, please call Collette Prather at 480.782.2709 or send an email to collette. jones@chandleraz.gov.

VOLUNTEERS ARE ALWAYS WELCOME!

There are many ways that you can contribute to the Special Olympics sports, classes, socials, or special programs. If you are a positive role model and interested in helping out with any of the fun and inspiring programs, please call Collette Prather at 480.782.2709 or send an email to collette.jones@chandleraz.gov. You'll be glad you made a difference!

SWIM TEAM VOLUNTEER COACHES NEEDED

Have you participated in swimming and wanted to help teach others? Would you be willing to come to our practices and coach a Special Olympics athlete, then we need you! Volunteers are always needed so please call 480.782.2709 to volunteer or send an email to collette, jones@chandleraz.gov.

GOLF PARTNERS NEEDED

Do you play golf? Would you like to help a Special Olympics athlete learn the skills of golf and learn about playing on a course, then we want you! Volunteers are always needed so please call 480.782.2709 to volunteer or send an email to collette.jones@chandleraz.gov.

Community can come together as a family.

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